

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM**

Property Name: Eleanor Hipple Cross-gable Inventory Number: CT-701

Address: H. G. Trueman Road (MD 765), Lusby, Calvert County, MD

Owner: Maryland Economic Development Corporation (MEDCO), contract purchaser

Tax Parcel Number: 4 Tax Map Number: 43

Project: Calvert County Industrial Park Agency: MEDCO

Site visit by Staff: no X yes Name: Kirsti Uunila, JPPM/MAC Lab Date: 29 Sept 2000

Eligibility recommended        Eligibility **not** recommended X

Criteria:    A       B       C       D    Considerations:    A       B       C       D       E       F       G    None

Is the property located within a historic district? X no        yes Name of district:       

Is district listed?    no       Yes   

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties form CT-701, Oct 2000

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**Description of Property and Eligibility Determination:** *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*

The house is deteriorated. According to a local resident it has been vacant for at least 30 years. All the windows are missing, The porch and west portions of the building are collapsed, and the structure is obscured by vegetation on the south and west sides.

The house faces south, approximately 300 yards off the public road. Few traces of the yard or drive remain. About fifty feet south from the main entrance is a roughly circular concentration of day lilies, possibly suggesting a circular drive in front of the house. English ivy thickly covers the east corner of the house and the chimney on the east end. Most of the trees in the yard are young, and must have sprung up since the house was abandoned.

The original parts of the house have a form that once was typical for farmsteads in Calvert County in the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries. It is a T-shaped building. The roof is covered by asphalt shingles. The south façade is three bays wide, single pile, and features a cross gable, formed by the extended roof of a two-bay single pile structure that intersects it. Three windows are evenly spaced above a collapsed porch roof on the south façade. A single window in the gable is directly above the center window on the second story. There is a one-story addition, completely obscured by vegetation, appended to the west end of the façade. There is also a recent, collapsed addition that fills in the northwest corner of the 'T'.

The porch, an addition to the main house, runs the length of the main block of the house. The porch rests on a concrete block foundation; the house appears to rest on mortared brick. The porch has 3-foot high walls enclosing it. The porch walls are capped with a six-inch wide board to which are affixed stops to receive wood-framed screens. Remains of the screens are lying about the porch and yard. The outside of the short walls is clad in 12-inch wide tongue in groove board siding with molded edges. It is oriented vertically on the porch. The same

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siding sheaths the house. On the house, the boards are fastened horizontally with wire nails. Corner boards are intact on some corners, missing on others. The corner boards, like the window surrounds, are plain.

A chimney projects from the east end of the house. It is composed of machine-made brick and rests on a concrete base. It appears modern. The interior view confirms that it's recent: it is built with a Heatilator insert and louvered vents.

The chimney is the only break on the east end of the house. On the north wall of the main part of the house, there are two windows, one above the other whose surrounds are snug in the corner formed by the intersection of the rest of the house that projects to the north.

The north gable end has two windows, one directly above the other on the east side of the façade. The rear entrance is around the corner, on the west side, next to a two-story projecting bay. The first story bay is obscured by a single-story addition, now collapsed around it. The rest of the west side of the house is inaccessible owing to thick vegetation and collapsed walls and roof.

Inside, the floors appear to be pine, 2-inch tongue in groove. The door between the single room in the north end and the main parlor has been modified to accommodate a skateboard ramp. The interior and exterior doors, as well as all the windows, are missing. The interior surrounds, like the exterior, are plain. In the southwest corner of the main parlor is a boxed stairway that turns to the north. The few balusters that remain, like the newel, are plain, square and painted. Most of the stairway has been charred by a fire that gutted the upper stories. Gaping holes in the wall along the stairway permit a view into the west addition of the house. The floor has large holes that reveal a concrete basement entirely filled with water. It could not be determined if the basement extends under the main parlor as well. The interior walls were finished with plaster over sawn wood lath. Drywall—now mostly torn off the studs—has been installed in at least one of the second-story rooms.

North of the house is a deteriorated tobacco barn that has been modified for several apparent simultaneous uses, including storing feed corn, stripping tobacco, housing animals, and other unidentified activities. The core barn features two drive-through lanes, now obstructed by the placement of a plank floor over  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the interior area. The barn measures 4 bays by 6 bays, including sheds on the east and west sides. The principal timbers are hewn. All visible joints are nailed with wire nails. Most supports are sawn. The sills rest on mortared brick piers. The roof is corrugated metal; much of the exterior is sided with the same roofing material. The nailers, attached to roof trusses, are apparently spaced to receive shingle roofing, but no shingles are in evidence. The barn represents reused materials from an earlier structure, combined with new materials to serve a variety of purposes. In its present deteriorated condition, it is, at best, an almost incoherent statement about changes 20<sup>th</sup> century farm life in Calvert County.

There are remains of another outbuilding strewn about the yard area south and west of the house. It has evidently served as a dump site and the structural remains are confused with other refuse.

The Eleanor R. Hipple house and outbuildings lack architectural integrity. There is no evidence of exceptional craftsmanship, nor design. There is no demonstrated connection with persons or events important in the history of Calvert County. The Eleanor Hipple cross-gable is not eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places.

Prepared by: Kirsti Uunila

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Eligibility recommended

Eligibility not recommended

X

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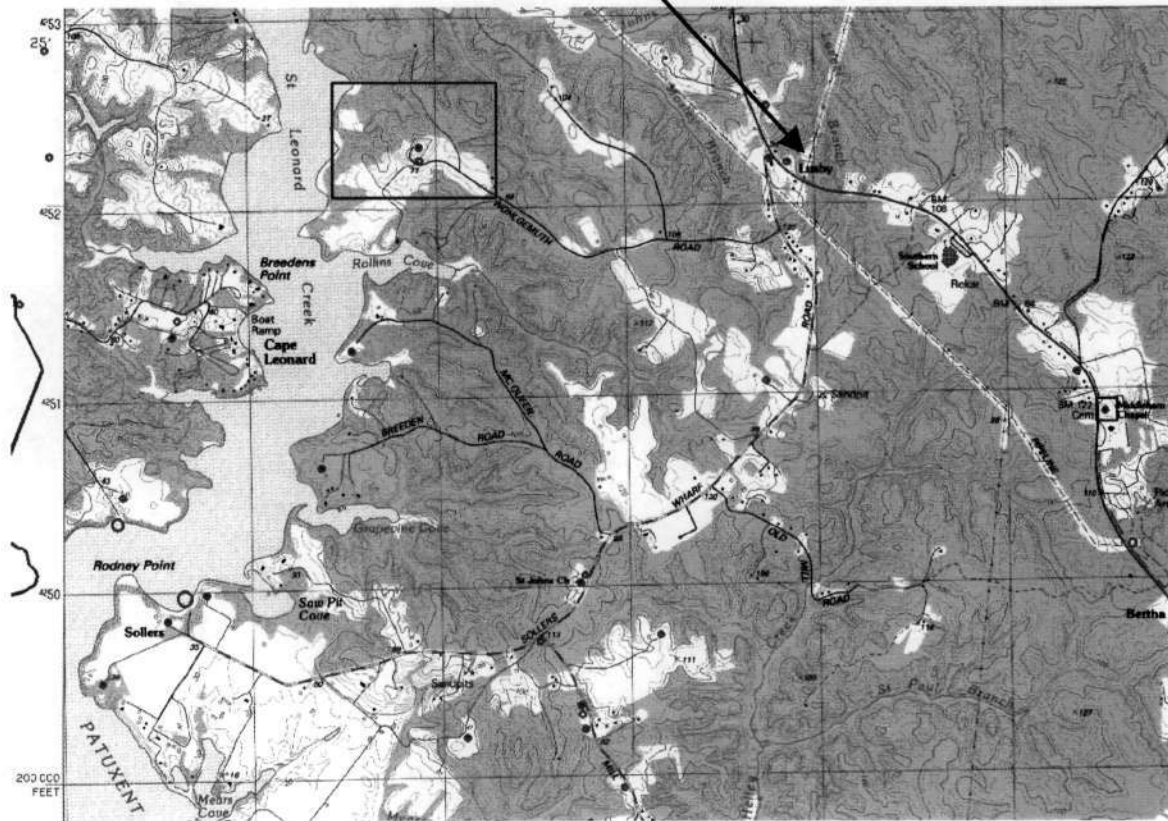
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<b>Criteria:</b>	A	B	C	D	<b>Considerations:</b>	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	None
<b>Comments:</b>													
<i>Patricia M. Brick</i> ✓ Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services						Oct. 12, 2000 Date							
<i>[Signature]</i> Reviewer, NR program						10/17/00 Date							

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Eleanor Hipple Cross-gable, Lusby, MD  
Calvert County  
MIHP: CT-701  
USGS Quad: Cove Point





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Eleanor R. Hipple Cross-gable  
Route 4, Appeal  
Calvert County, MD  
E & N

Merry Stinson  
March, 1980

CT-700

LITTLE COVE POINT SCHOOL

(1908)

Lusby vicinity

Private

The Little Cove Point School was built in the early twentieth century to serve white students in the surrounding neighborhoods. Used for only a relatively short period, it was closed when the schools of the south portion of the county were consolidated in the new Solomons School. Extensively altered in conversion to a house, its identity as a one-room school is evidenced by the footprint and roof slope of the main block.

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE STATE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Little Cove Point School (CT-700)

a) Historical Period Theme: Social/Education/Cultural

b) Geographic Organization: Western Shore

c) Chronological/Developmental Period:

Industrial/Urban Dominance, A.D. 1870-1930

d) Resource Type:

Category: building

Historic Environment: rural

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): school

Known Design Source: none.



# Maryland Historical Trust

## State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF  
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. CT-700

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

### 1. Name

historic Little Cove Point School

and/or common

### 2. Location

street & number 11115 Little Cove Point Road ☐ not for publication

city, town Lusby ☒ vicinity of congressional district

state Maryland county Calvert

### 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> educational <input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

### 4. Owner of Property

name Roger D. & Evelyn M. Cook

street & number P.O. Box 194 telephone no.: unlisted

city, town Lusby state and zip code MD 20651-0194

### 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Calvert County Circuit Court Clerk's Office liber ABE 253

street & number 175 Main Street folio 526

city, town Prince Frederick state Maryland

### 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Calvert County Historic Sites Survey

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☒ county ☐ local

depository for survey records Maryland Historical Trust

city, town Crownsville state MD

## 7. Description

Survey No. CT-700

### Condition

☐ excellent  
☒ good  
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated  
☐ ruins  
☐ unexposed

### Check one

☐ unaltered  
☒ altered

### Check one

☒ original site  
☐ moved

date of move \_\_\_\_\_

The former Little Cove Point School is one of many original one-room school buildings converted to residences. It is situated on the west side of Little Cove Point Road near its intersection with Cove Point Road in southern Calvert County. Although enlarged and altered in its conversion to a residence, the roofline and massing of the original block of the one-room school is still evident.

The main entrance to the building is contained in its east gable end. This entrance is contained in an enclosed, shed-roofed, front porch that extends across most of the original gable end. Other additions include a shed roofed block that extends the depth of the south wall of the original block, and a shed-roofed deck off the rear wall of the original block.

Fenestration consists primarily of two over two, double hung sash windows. The walls of the house are sheathed in cement-asbestos shingles, and the roof junction is marked by a boxed cornice. The roof itself is sheathed in asphalt shingles. A brick chimney projects from the front of the roof ridge. The foundation of the house, which may consist of concrete or brick piers, is protected by a sheet metal porch skirt, molded to resemble quarry-faced stone blocks.

# 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance--Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistory	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1908

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☒ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D  
 and/or  
 Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G  
 Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

The Little Cove Point School is significant as a surviving one-room school building. It is, however, more altered than other examples, and no longer clearly conveys its historic role as a school building. Therefore, although historically significant for its role in the education of students in the local community, it is not architecturally significant.

Available evidence suggests that this building was erected as a white one-room school in the early twentieth century and served in that role until southern Calvert County Schools were consolidated at Solomons.

In 1908, Bell S. and Amelia I. Dowell sold the lot on which the school was later erected to the Board of Supervisors of Calvert County for \$10 (Calvert County Deed Book GWD 8:425, August 29, 1908). In 1930, the Board of Education of Calvert County sold the property, including the school building, to Edward E. Dare for \$152 (Calvert County Deed Book AAH 23:456, March 4, 1930). Presumably, the school had ceased functioning some time earlier. The property remained in the Dare family until 1959, when Edna F. Dare sold it to Frank L. and Clara M. Leebrick for \$10 and other good and valuable considerations (Calvert County Deed Book JLB 22:492, February 14, 1959).

Four years later, Frank L. Leebrick sold three adjacent lots to Philip C. and Joyce Buckler for \$5 and other good and valuable considerations (Calvert County Deed Book JLB 57:428, May 20, 1963). Two years later, the Bucklers sold the three adjacent lots to William L. Weems and C. Revenor Hall for \$5 and other valuable considerations (Calvert County Deed Book JLB 74:574, June 14, 1965). Weems and Hall owned the property until 1971 when they sold a parcel, measuring .9 acres and containing the former school, to Harry O. and Airetta M. Parks for \$10 and other valuable considerations (Calvert County Deed Book JLB 129:657, April 22, 1971). The present owners acquired the former school property in 1979 for \$38,500 (Calvert County Deed Book ABE 253:526, October 5, 1979).

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. CT-700

Calvert County Deeds. Calvert County Circuit Court Clerk's Office. Prince Frederick, MD.

## 10. Geographical Data

**Acreage of nominated property** .9

Quadrangle name Cove Point, MD

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

**UTM Refernces** do NOT complete UTM references

**A**



Zone Easting Northing

**B**

Zone Easting Northing

**c**

**D** 

**E**

**F**

**G**

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### Verbal boundary description and justification

Map 43, Parcel 145. The boundary chosen reflects the property to which the present owners of the schoolhouse hold title.

**List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries**

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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## 11. Form Prepared By

**name/title** Douglas C. McVarish, Project Architectural Historian

**organization** John Milner Associates, Inc. **date** May 1998

street & number 1216 Arch Street, 5th Floor telephone 215-561-7637

city or town Philadelphia state PA

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

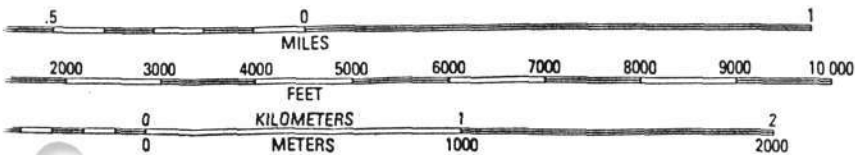
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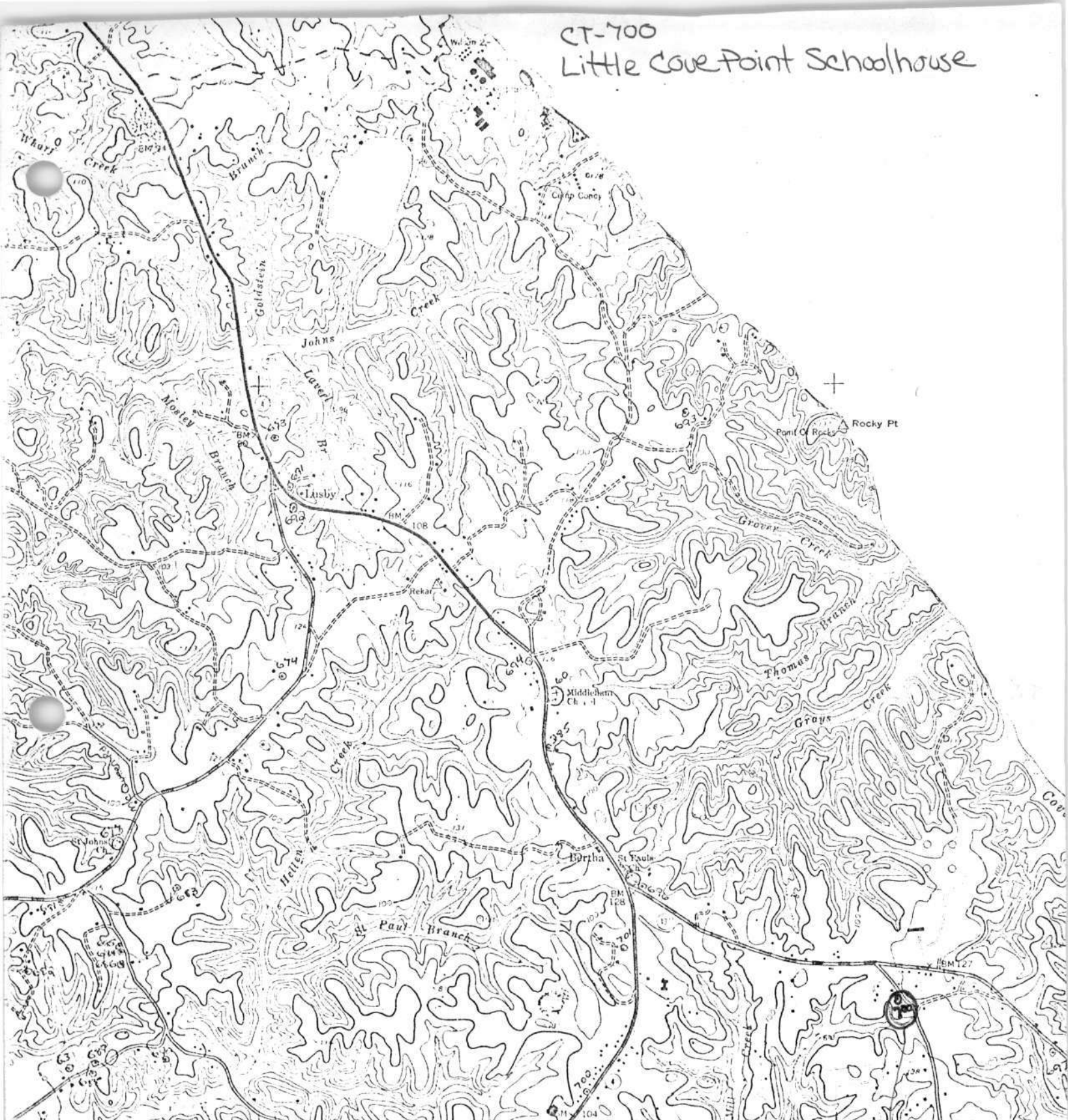


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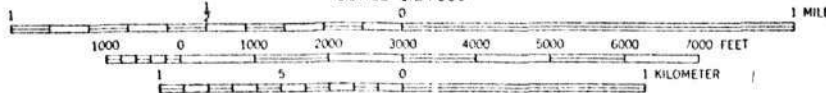
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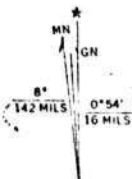


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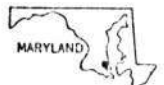
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UTM GRID AND 1974 MAGNETIC NORTH DECLINATION AT CENTER OF SHEET



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Little Cove Point School

Cabell, Maryland

Douglas McVarr

March 1998

Maryland SHPO

East facade and N elevation towards SW

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Little Cove Point Schoolhouse  
Little Cove Point Road  
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Merry Stinson  
March, 1980